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Recent Revisions to PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation (CIPPE) Form

The PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation (CIPPE) Form has been revised as a result of recommendations from the Sunday, May 2, 2010 meeting of the PIAA Sports Medicine Advisory Committee to the PIAA Board of Directors.

The changes are specific to creating more awareness of the risk of concussion and head injury in sports, including the risks associated with continuing to compete after a concussion or head injury. Those changes are as follows:

Section 2: Certification of Parent/Guardian

Added "Section F. Understanding of risk of concussion and head injury".

Section 3: Health History

Highlighted "Concussion or Head Injury" questions 31 – 33.

Pursuant to ARTICLE V, HEALTH, Section 4, Timing, of the PIAA By-Laws, the CIPPE may not be performed earlier than June 1st. Accordingly, the recently revised CIPPE Form Section 2, Certification of Parent/Guardian, and Section 3, Health History, in addition to Section 1, Personal and Emergency Information and Section 4, PIAA Comprehensive Initial Pre-Participation Physical Evaluation and Certification of Authorized Medical Examiner, are all now available at http://www.piaa.org/assets/web/documents/Section%20VII%20Forms.%20CIPPE_FOR_M_SECTIONS_1_2_3_AND_4.pdf

Relevant to the foregoing, the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) recently announced the launching of a first-of-its-kind complimentary online course designed to familiarize those associated with interscholastic athletics on the signs, symptoms, and treatment related to concussion in sports. The only requirement is a quick and easy registration at www.nfhslearn.com. Additional information on this course is available on the PIAA Web site under "Latest News" at www.piaa.org.

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